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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.98 and pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant respectfully brings the following documents cited in the Japanese Office Action in a counterpart foreign application and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Some of these references were either cited or previously submitted and thus the copies of these references are not provided in accordance with under 37 CFR §1.98(d).

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the Japanese Office Action citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Office Action indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

It is noted that U.S. Patent No. 7,319,249 are the U.S. equivalent of Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2004-056098. It is also noted that U.S. Patent No. 6,897,560 is the U.S. equivalent of Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2002-093243.

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This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which Applicant is aware.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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